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SYNOPSIS

The Sheriff receives a letter asking his help for the prohibition agent in discovering a gang of bootleggers in his section. He takes up his post at the hotel. Meanwhile a wealthy man and his daughter join the guests of the hotel. The sheriff seeing the father taking a nip, takes the bottle away from him, receiving the girl's grateful thanks. The bootleg-leader tries to force his attentions on the girl and sits on a tack Larry has prepared for him. Infuriated, the leader goes after Larry. Larry's assistants come to his rescue only to desert him. Again Larry takes refuge in flight. He comes upon a family, consisting of a mother, father and little son. Larry on the scent of the booze-drinker, ~~thinks~~ thinks the child, who is drinking his milk, silhouetted against a white sheet, is a law-breaker, and he and the child become friends. Playing blind-man's bluff with the child, Larry escapes the tub of water set by the leader, and the latter falls in it himself. The child causes great alarm to his parents by getting himself all blacked crawling through a pipe, and later, his doting father, likewise is blackened trying to rescue him. A party of colored people picnicking on an empty lot nearby, have their picnic interrupted when Larry worms his way up under their spreaded white cloth, causing them the fear of the supernatural. They take refuge in a dead tree trunk nearby. One of them, more interested in his mellow than the rest, becomes more scared, and is shocked into the branches of a tree, leaving his shoes and clothes on the ground at its base. The little boy comes along and gets into the deserted outfit, causing the colored people such fright that after jumping into a little lake they come up white. Larry by a trick evades the boot-leg leader and once more takes his post at the entrance to the hotel. The gang of bootleggers hidden nearby, give their supplies to the bell-hops who deliver the goods for them. The Sheriff discovers this and destroys the bottles of liquor. The leader of the gang seeing, causes some of the bottles to be filled with dynamite. The bellhop leaves the bottles in Larry's possession and takes hasty flight. One of the colored party seeing the display of bottles in front of Larry steals a bottle and sits down to enjoy it. In horror he returns the bottle, after sampling the dynamite. Larry who decides to taste the stuff, does so, spitting it hurriedly in the direction of the coon, as well as throwing the bottle at the coon's feet. The coon is blown in tatters to the tree top. Larry puts the bottles carefully on a truck, to which a guest attaches his dog. The leader making an attempt to get Larry is chased by the dog. After a chase, helped by large cakes of ice from a nearby ice plant, it looks as though the villain might finally get Larry by blowing him up with large cases of dynamite, when his own lighted cigar causes the fuses on some dynamite



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JAMES DEAN  
MILLEN AND GIL  
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under the hay-wagon on which he is standing to blow him into  
eternity. Larry evading death, joins his friends.



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